



13F20 - Forward Observer

Assists the fire support sergeant in the training of subordinates in fire support procedures, techniques, and tactics, and supervision of section operations, maintenance, and training. Leads and trains the Forward Observer Team. Prepares observer target lists and assists in formulating offensive and defensive fire support plans. Initiates, requests, and adjusts field artillery, mortar, and naval gunfire using all methods of adjustment including continuous and coordinated illumination. Initiates suppressive and screening fire to support the scheme of maneuver and performs crater analysis. Selects and occupies the observation post (OP).